

FLOODS SWEEP PACIFIC NORTHWEST AREAS

City Repair Plans Given Citizens' Aid

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The disaster recovery program for Roseburg gained momentum Friday with the appointment of a citizens committee which will support local efforts to speed redevelopment.

Launched by the Roseburg Chamber of Commerce board of directors, the group named Emil Ramberg its chairman. Members will be known as the Citizens Committee on Redevelopment of the Disaster Area.

Ramberg said today the present citizens committee of city and Douglas County businessmen was expanded to around 50 persons in the next few weeks representing various local clubs and organizations.

First action taken by the new committee was to recommend the City Council, the Douglas County Court and Oregon State Highway Commissioners meet "as soon as possible" to discuss available resources which can be thrown into construction of a new bridge and other phases of recovery plans.

"If proposals offered by professional planners and the Roseburg planning Commission earlier this month can be financed, they should be followed through," the citizens committee resolved.

Tentative endorsement given in doing so, members gave tentative endorsement to the program drafted by city planners on Nov. 12 and recommended to the Council. It established a bridge using the Washington Ave. alignment, and would handle east-west traffic by a high level span overpassing SE Pine, Stephens and the railroad tracks, reaching ground level at SE Rose St.

Citizens Committee members pointed out a new South Umpqua River span is still the key to any redevelopment program the city undertakes. They said for this reason they are recommending a meeting with Highway Commissioners to determine what funds are available.

It would be up to state highway authorities to ask the Bureau of Public Roads for support. The agency also would have to approve final plans adopted for a bridge and probably would be concerned with a connection west of the river to Harvard Ave. and U.S. Highway 99.

County Court has said it will participate to some extent in the bridge project, and the rest of the program would be up to the city to finance. There has been no commitment to date, however, from either the state highway department or BPR.

Named to the citizens committee along with Ramberg at the Friday luncheon meeting in the Umpqua Hotel were the following businessmen:

Ed Nolte, Ralph DeMoisy, Aaron Boe, Rex Roberts, Ken Fraz, Hans Hansen, Fred Lockwood, George West, St. Dillard, H. C. Wells, Richard Coen, George L. Uom and Charles Stanton.

Attending the meeting as guests were Mayor Arlo Jacobin, City Manager John Warburton, Lyle Glenn, city planning Commission chairman, and Pete Seratin, Roseburg councilman and chairman of the county Planning Commission.

Wife Of School Official Convicted Of Slaying 'Lover'

BENTONVILLE, Ark. (AP)—The attractive brunette wife of a prominent businessman was convicted of second-degree murder in the bedroom shooting of her alleged lover.

Mrs. J. O. Rand, who pleaded innocent by reason of self-defense, showed no emotion as the verdict was read Friday. She held hands with her husband, president of the school board at Rogers, Ark.

The male jury set punishment at eight years in prison, and Judge Mappin Cummings scheduled sentencing for Dec. 1.

The Weather

Forecast: Locally cloudy with rains and gusty winds tonight and Sunday.

Highest temp. last 24 hours	63
Lowest temp. last 24 hours	46
Highest temp. any Nov. ('55)	73
Lowest temp. any Nov. ('55)	15
Precip. last 24 hours	.42
Precip. from Sept. 1	5.2
Precip. from Sept. 1	3.85
Deficiency from Sept. 1	3.24
Sunset tonight 4:44 p.m.	
Sunrise tomorrow, 7:14 a.m.	

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Recovery Job Plans Shaped For Council

The report of city planners and recommendations for a program of disaster recovery will be laid before Roseburg's City Council Monday night.

The plan, a revised version of proposals made Nov. 10 by professional planners Clark, Coleman & Associates of Portland, is the chief item of business on the agenda.

Councilmen also will adopt a new fire code for the city based on regulations suggested by the Assn. of American Fire Underwriters if all legal aspects have been completed.

Two meetings were held this week of the council's fire committee. Fire Chief Don Starmer, City Manager John Warburton and Paul E. Geddes, city attorney, to thresh out regulations suitable for Roseburg.

Lyle Glenn, planning commission chairman, is expected to attend the Monday session of the Council to explain final recommendations of city planners.

Among changes from Clark, Coleman proposals is a SE Washington Ave. alignment instead of one on SE Douglas Ave. for a high level bridge and overpass to replace the old Oak Ave. bridge.

They also would make SE Rose St. a two-way thoroughfare instead of one-way as far north as Washington as suggested, and are suggesting that SE Jackson St. be converted, eventually, to a mall-type pedestrian shopping boulevard instead of SE Rose St.

The planning commission is recommending that council immediately adopt its proposals in order to have a tentative program on the record which will be a "guide post" for reconstruction.

Prison Term Given Cleric As Sequel To Nude Episode

YANCEYVILLE, N.C. (AP)—A Baptist minister who photographed his nude wife in bed with another minister was convicted of blackmail here Friday.

Superior Court Judge W. H. S. Swinson sentenced the Rev. J. S. Swinson, 51, to 24 months in prison for blackmail, conspiracy, assault with a deadly weapon and larceny.

Mrs. Swinson, 28, accused of luring a family friend into her bed so he could be photographed was convicted of blackmail and conspiracy. A mother of two children, she was sentenced to 18 months, suspended.

Judge Burgwyn praised the jury's verdict, but he had stern words for the Rev. G. A. Hamby, 59, Toledo, who testified the Swinsons blackmailed him into buying them a car after Swinson snapped a picture of Hamby and Mrs. Swinson, both nude and in a compromising position in bed.

The judge said Hamby "violated every moral law," but he added, "I know of no criminal law he has violated."

Reds Eye Mars Shot

MOSCOW (AP)—Word is going around in press circles here that the Soviet Union is thinking of launching another Lank soon and a rocket shot to Mars is reported under discussion.

Tighter Welfare Sought

Offer Work, Not Relief, To Able-Bodied, Oregon Counties Assn. Advises

PORTLAND (AP)—The Assn. of Oregon Counties wound up its meeting here Friday by approving a number of resolutions which call for tightening up welfare payments.

The organization called for support of a proposal by the state Public Welfare Commission that able-bodied general assistance recipients be offered work instead of outright relief.

But the delegates said that each county should be permitted to decide whether it wants to participate in such a program.

The association also called for expansion of investigation by district attorneys to prevent welfare frauds and abuses.

A study of a possible monthly maximum payment for families on welfare.

Other resolutions called:

Passage of Senate Joint Resolution 48, a state constitutional amendment, which would grant the power of home rule counties to issue general obligation bonds.

A constitutional six per cent tax limitation which would permit taxing units which fail to make a levy for three years to retain their tax base.



PROMOTIONS in the Douglas County Sheriff's Department have accompanied the hiring of several new men in recent months. Sheriff Ira C. Byrd has appointed Louis Sutter, second from left, as undersheriff. He has taken over the post left vacant last summer when Carl Smith resigned. Also promoted this month was James Donnelly who fills a new job in the department, that of office manager in charge of records and special reports. Sutter has been with the force six years and Donnelly five. Right center is Bobby Johnson, former Roseburg detective sergeant who joined the force this summer. At right is veteran Oregon State Policeman and former heavyweight boxer C. R. Borgman. In his youth he fought under the name of "Nails" Gorman. He was with the OSP for 14 years working out of the Grants Pass office.

Auto Crashes Take 2 Lives

Two men perished in Oregon traffic accidents today. One died when a car overturned. The other was killed in the grinding crash of a car and a railroad locomotive.

A car veered out of control on a curve near Clatskanie early today and overturned, killing Daniel Phaup, 22, Portland.

Five other persons were injured in the accident, just east of Clatskanie on Highway 30.

The car-locomotive accident occurred at Derry Station, a mile east of Rickreaff.

Police said the victim was the driver of the car, Elmer Pankey, about 39, of Waldport. His wife, Amy, was injured.

The locomotive struck the car broadside, and dragged the vehicle about 60 feet down the track. Trainmen said the engine was going about 30 miles an hour at the time of the crash.

Salk polio vaccine shots will not be given at the Riverside School today, Richard Frey, general chairman of the project for the Roseburg Junior Chamber of Commerce, announced.

Frey told The News-Review the polio shots will be given at the other two locations previously announced, the Armory, from 2 to 5 p.m., and Fullerton School from 4 to 8 p.m.

Last month, a total of 1,170 shots were given at the Jaycee-sponsored clinic. Charges for today's clinic will be the same as before—\$1 per individual and \$3 per family, regardless of size.

Once again, individual doctors and nurses are contributing time and talents free of charge in support of the Salk vaccine inoculation program.

Resolutions which were tabled called for:

Endorsement "in principle" of the effort being made to repeal the personal property tax.

A uniform bounty schedule for predatory animals.

The Oregon Assn. of County Engineers and Surveyors — Paul North, Portland, president; H. D. Graham, Marion County, vice president; John A. Anderson, Marion County, secretary-treasurer.

The County Clerks and Record-ers Assn.—Hazel Powell, Crook County, president; Jack Beeler, Yamhill County, vice president; Jesse Bell, Umatilla County, secretary; Roger Thomssen, Washington County, treasurer.

Oregon County Treasurers Assn.—Eva Cook, Klamath County, president; Elve Townsend, Jefferson County, vice president; G. H. Van Horn, Malheur County, secretary-treasurer.

Coronary Attack Kills Max Baer, Ex-Boxing Champ

HOLLYWOOD, Calif. (AP)—Former heavyweight boxing champion Max Baer died of a coronary attack today. He was 50.

Baer, often called Madcap Maxie during his ring years, won the heavyweight title 25 years ago when he knocked out Italy's Primo Carnera June 14, 1934 in Long Island City, N. Y.

His reign lasted just one day short of a year. On June 13, 1935, in the same Long Island arena across the East River from Manhattan, Jimmy Braddock surprised fans by dethroning Baer with a 15 round decision.

"I clowned away the title," Max said later.

Johnnie Ray, Sob Singer, Denies Morals Charge

DETROIT (AP)—Johnnie Ray, the sob singer, was arrested at a downtown Detroit showbar on a morals charge Friday night and jailed overnight.

He pleaded innocent in Recorder's Court Saturday to a charge of accepting and soliciting and was released on \$500 bond. Trial was set for Dec. 1.

Ray, who rocketed to fame from another Detroit showbar on his crying rendition of the popular songs "Cry" and "The Little White Cloud That Cried," pleaded guilty and paid a \$25 fine on a similar morals charge in 1951.

In both cases policemen contend Ray made indecent proposals to them. The first grew out of an alleged accosting at a theater. A showbar is a bar which also has a stage show.

Plainclothes Patrolman Eugene Caviston of the vice squad said after he struck up a casual conversation with Ray Friday night, the 32-year-old singer propositioned him. Ray was a visitor at the Brass Rail, which features a strip-tease show.

Caviston said Ray accosted him in the bar and followed him and two other vice squad detectives outside at the 2 a.m. closing time.

Ray, then a virtually penniless pianist, came to Detroit in 1951. Appearing at the Flame Show Bar, which caters to mixed racial clientele, he was discovered by a talent scout and rocketed to fame on his sobbing singing.

4 Perishing Children Perish In Home Fire

SANTA FE, N.M. (AP)—Four small children perished today when a fire swept through the two bedrooms in which they were sleeping.

Four other members of the same family escaped. Smoke and flames blocked rescue efforts for the four youngsters.

The victims were Joseph Lury, 2; Rose Marie Lury, 3; Patrick Lury, 4; and Christine Lury, 6.

An uncle, Charles Lury, 19, smelled smoke, got out of bed and ran for help. Two sisters of the victims, Joseph, 10, and Anna Mae, 8, escaped from the burning house. Firemen carried the grandfather, Robert Lury, 81, to safety.

Cuba Hits Oil Firms; Work Or Lose Claims

HAVANA (AP)—The Cuban government today aimed another blow at foreign business interests by passing a stiff law that will force oil exploration and exploitation companies to work their claims or lose them.

The legislation, which follows a tough new minerals law, also sets production quotas for petroleum refineries. Affected primarily will be three big foreign operations—the American-owned Standard Oil and Texaco companies and the British-owned Shell, Ltd.

During a seven-hour session, Prime Minister Fidel Castro's Cabinet also:

Ratified a ban on the immigration of Chinese and non-Chinese Asiatics.

Created a new tourist institute with authority to start proceedings to expropriate any property deemed necessary for tourist development.

Approved a decree giving prosecutors in military tribunal trials the right to appeal the decisions. The Cabinet recently re-established Army tribunals to combat growing opposition to the revolutionary government. When the tribunals were active during the first six months of Castro's regime, 555 persons were sent to death before firing squads.

Exploration concessions will be limited to about 19,000 acres, which is far under the acreage held by several companies.

Citizens Asked To Join Barriers Against Reds

WASHINGTON (AP)—Atlantic Pact parliamentarians want advice from distinguished citizens on how to meet the new challenge from the Communist world.

Ending their annual five-day meeting Friday, the 150 legislators, representing the 15 members of the North Atlantic Treaty Organization, called for a special conference of distinguished citizens. They would recommend ways of modernizing and strengthening the 10-year-old alliance.

Hatfield's Aid Declined

Federal Mediator Able To Handle Strike Alone, Attitude Of Newspapers

PORTLAND (AP)—The publishers of the Oregonian and Oregon Journal decided Friday night they would not accept the offer of Gov. Mark Hatfield to help settle a labor dispute that has festered the two papers to combine.

A spokesman for the striking Stereotypers Union welcomed the offer and said the stereotypers were available to meet any time at the governor's convenience.

The stereotypers walked out 12 days ago in a dispute over working conditions. Other labor unions at the two newspaper plants have agreed not to cross the stereotypers' picket line.

The papers are publishing at the Oregonian plant, using supervisory and non-union personnel.

Publishers M. H. Frey of The Oregonian and William W. Knight of the Oregon Journal thanked the governor for his offer, but said the dispute now is in the hands of a federal mediator and intervention of another public official would only confuse an already difficult situation.

"The publishers' telegram to the governor said also: 'It appears to us that a solution is most likely to be reached by the disputing parties through real collective bargaining carried out by negotiators who are fully familiar with all the myriad details of the original dispute and the subsequent ramifications created when other unions violated their contracts.'"

The governor's invitation also was sent to State Rep. Ed Whelan, secretary of the Multnomah County Central Labor Council. The council put the two newspapers on its unfair list after the strike began.

In his invitation, Hatfield said he had heard reports of "potential violence and economic hardships" because of the strike.

Wind, Rain Lash Areas Of Douglas

By DICK FISHBACK
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Power and telephone line failures, fallen trees and limbs and at least one freak accident remained this morning as an aftermath of Friday night's windswept rainstorm in Douglas County.

The storm came into the area from the Pacific Ocean with southerly winds adding to the misery of 40 inches of rainfall, the weatherman reported this morning. Steady winds measured at 30 miles per hour and over a 30-mile-per-hour gust came in the heart of the storm.

The weatherman forecast more of the same for tonight and Sunday with rain and gusty winds again forecast.

A 15-year-old boy, James Dean Koeh of Roseburg, was smacked on the shoulder when a gust of wind picked up a piece of roofing gutter tile off a building and tossed it toward the boy, city police report. The incident occurred at 9:45 p.m.

Outages Reported

Power line outages started rolling in about 8 p.m., California-Oregon Power Co. officials reported today. First troubles came from the southern area near Green, officials stated.

From then on service was broken at many localities, including three in Roseburg, until shortly after midnight when things started to calm down, the company reports.

Copco attributed most of the service breaks to falling limbs and trees which touched hot wires together.

In Roseburg, circuits covering the area near Commercial and NE Jackson, SE Germond Ave. and Main St., and the city street light circuit were out sometime between 10:30 p.m. and midnight for short periods.

Douglas Electric Co-op also reported system-wide failures.

Power Fails

Most serious was failure of a transmission line which runs into the Oakland substation, it was reported by the Co-op. A tree fell across the line severing power from the Oakland, Umpqua and Sutherlin areas.

The line went out at 4 a.m. and was restored by 6 a.m., Co-op officials reported today.

About 500 people were involved in the system's power failures with most of them occurring in the Drain area, officials stated.

Pacific Telephone and Telegraph Co. of Roseburg had its problems, too, according to maintenance crews.

25 Lines Down

In Roseburg 25 lines involving 10 stations were knocked out. Elsewhere, Sutherlin counted five lines down involving 35 stations; Camas Valley, three lines and 24 stations; and Glide, some trouble as yet not completely assessed.

The Telephone Co. said service on toll lines would probably be complete by noon, with local repair finished by about 5 p.m.

A spokesman for the Yoncalla Telephone Co. said five poles were reported down in the Yoncalla and Hayhurst areas, four of them affecting 10-party lines.

Damage was checked by repairmen Friday night and repair work got under way this morning, a company spokesman said.

She added power was off in the Yoncalla area twice during the night, once for about 50 minutes after 10 p.m. and again for about 15 minutes at midnight.

In Drain, city officials reported both power lines leading into the city were down at times during the evening, the longest failure being 45 minutes.

Scores Of Homes Evacuated In Washington As Melting Snow, Rains Swell Rivers

By THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Near-record November rains sent Western Washington rivers on a rampage late Friday and early Saturday, taking one life and forcing the evacuation of scores of homes.

The Weather Bureau reported more than 3 1/3 inches of rain in 24 hours at the Seattle-Tacoma airport and predicted more for Saturday and Sunday night.

A warming trend in the mountains, sending the freezing level up to 6,000 feet elevation, was melting some snow and swelling the rivers even more.

Paine Air Force Base, near Everett, sent crews to two locations to build up river banks with sandbags.

The worst of the flood threat appeared to be in Snohomish County. The Snohomish River crested at 29 feet, four feet above flood stage, and flowed steadily at that level for hours.

To the east, the rain was general but little difficulty. Storm sewers backed up in Spokane and a few basements flooded.

Man Dies In Slide

In Seattle, a massive slide of dirt and debris shattered the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Dings, but they escaped injury.

Edward A. Fox, 42, a logging company superintendent from Granite Falls, was killed. He was checking private roads on Scott Paper Co. lands on the south side of Mt. Pilchuk when an earth and mud slide smashed into his truck.

Paine sent a 20-man crew to help about an equal number of volunteers sandbag three breaks

in a dike along the lower Stillaguamish River.

Another detachment from Paine was sent to Monroe to sandbag the banks of Wood's Creek. Ten families were moved out of the Monroe Trailer Court early in the evening.

Another 10 families were asked to evacuate their homes along the Pilchuk River at the eastern city limits of Snohomish. Water poured through their homes, at times two feet deep.

Twenty families were evacuated west of Arlington, along the Stillaguamish.

But Capt. Harold Peterson, Snohomish county civil defense director, said early Saturday the Snohomish River was the main threat. Particularly threatened, Peterson said, was Eby Island, an eight-mile long farmland island lying between Snohomish and Everett.

The flood piled debris against an old wooden bridge spanning the river just south of Snohomish, snapping one of about ten pillars supporting it. The bridge had been closed some hours earlier.

Street in Eugene, and a plastic patio roof was picked up and put on top of a house.

At Junction City the fire siren atop City Hall, which sounds the signal for volunteer firemen to assemble, blew over.

Throughout Josephine and Jackson counties the wind plagued motorists by forcing detours around downed trees. It blew others across power lines.

Glendale Service Hit

For the most part the trouble in that part of the state was restricted to local difficulties. However, a power line in the Murphy-Provost area broke and interrupted service over a wider area, and in the Glendale and Illinois Valleys service still had not been restored this morning.

The heavy rain—2.32 inches fell at Astoria—was concentrated in northwestern Oregon and river forecasters said no flooding was in prospect.

However, in the area of the downpour, a slide closed Highway 39 near Clatskanie Friday night for a time but it was reopened to one-way traffic.

A more massive slide blocked the Coast Highway, 10 miles south of Cannon Beach, at Noahkamie Mountain, and the Highway Department said it would be closed most of today. Traffic was detoured on Highway 53 by way of Necanicum Junction.

Skies cleared somewhat as the storm passed and there were only scattered showers today.

Another storm was forecast to bring more rain to Western Oregon tonight and to head into Eastern Oregon Sunday.

First Aid Truck Heavily Damaged

Winston-Dillard Fire Department's first-aid disaster truck received heavy damage to one side when the unit overturned on the way to a fire Friday night about 9 p.m., the department reported today.

Fire Chief Mike Neeley said he was driving to a minor fire at Round Prairie Lumber Co. in Dillard when the panel truck hit a slick spot in the pavement, flipped over into a ditch.

Neeley escaped serious injury, suffering only minor bruises, he said this morning.

He said he was driving through the Coon Hollow area, just past the Green Bridge south of Dillard, when the accident occurred.

The department was called to control a trash fire but it erupted on the conveyor belt that carries trash into a burner at the mill.

No damage was reported by the mill, Neeley said.

Parcel Post Rate Slated For Boost

WASHINGTON (AP)—Parcel post rates will go up soon, but most likely after the Christmas mailing rush is over.

An 85-million-dollar-a-year increase was approved by the Interstate Commerce Commission Friday. This averages to a 17.1 per cent boost over current rates.

The Post Office Department said it would announce next week when the new rates go into effect. Reports were that officials would give the public at least a 60-day notice.

Under the law, the postmaster general has to ask for an increase in parcel post rates whenever that aspect of the postal business is in the red.

Levity Fact Rant

By L. F. Reizenstein

To Ye Olde Towne Hall:
Here once I stood 3-score-and-ten,
In turn revered, patched up and then-
Brick by brick did I disappear,
Mid mockery and unkind jeer;
Welcome at last, my glory shorn,
Was the foot of Gabriel's blessed horn;
From my soul on the moon
I'll daily shy
Bricks on you to remember me by.